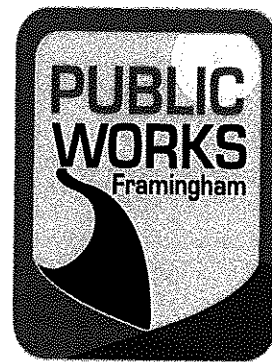


Municipal Yearly Operational Plan 2021

City of Framingham



Department of Public Works

*Municipal Operations Center
100 Western Avenue
Framingham, Massachusetts 01702*

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of 333 CRM 11.00, Rights of Way Management, is to promote the implementation of integrated pest management techniques and to establish standards, requirements and procedures necessary to minimize the rash of unreasonable adverse effects on human health and the environment associated with the use of herbicides to maintain streets. These regulations establish procedures, which guarantee ample opportunity for public and municipal agency review and input on the right-of-way maintenance plans.

A yearly Operational Plan or YOP must be submitted to the Department of Food and Agriculture every year herbicides are intended for use to maintain Rights of Way. The YOP provides a detailed program for vegetation management for the year. A five-year Vegetation Management Plan (VMP) has been approved by the Department and is available for review at the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, and office of the Chief-elected official of the municipality.

Upon receipt of this YOP, the Department publishes a notice in the Environmental Monitor. The applicant must provide a copy of the proposed YOP and Environmental notice to the Board of Health, Conservation Commission, and the Chief elected municipal official for the city or town in which the herbicide treatment is proposed. The Department allows a 45-day comment period on the proposed YOP beginning with publication of the notice in the Environmental Monitor and receipt of the YOP and Environmental Monitor notice by each municipality.

Public notification and herbicide application to the streets is made at least 21 days in advance of the treatment by a separate notice. Notice is made to the Department of Food and Agriculture, the Mayor, City Manager or chairman of the Board of Selectman, the Board of Health, and the Conservation Commission of the municipality where the streets lie.

Any comments on this YOP should be directed to the contact person listed on page 3.

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I. Individual Supervising YOP

Individual supervising implementation and conditions of the YOP

Name and Title: Kyle Grendell
Operations Manager | Tree Warden

Department: Department of Public Works

Address: 100 Western Ave.
Framingham, MA 01702

Telephone Number: (508) 532-6030

Signature: _____
Kyle W. Grendell

II. Municipal Department Performing Herbicide Treatment

Framingham Department of Public Works

Contracted employees will perform herbicide treatment. Applicators are certified by the Department of Food and Agriculture in the applicator category.

Name: Matthew Tolppa

Company: Integrated Vegetation Services, LLC

Address: 73 J Street
Athol, MA. 01331

Telephone Number: 978-424-5713

Signature: _____
Matthew Toloppa

III. Herbicides Proposed including Application Rates, Carriers, Adjuvants

Herbicides that may be used on municipal roadways will be the following. They shall not be mixed together.

<u>Trade Name</u>	<u>EPA Reg No</u>	<u>Active Ingredients</u>	<u>Guidelines</u>
Roundup Pro	524-475	Glyphosate	See Attached
Razor Pro	228-366	Glyphosate	See Attached
Rodeo	62719-324	Glyphosate	See Attached

The names and the active ingredients of the herbicides proposed and the names of any carriers, adjuvants or additives to be used. Herbicide Fact Sheets for the herbicides proposed are found in Appendix A.

Control Method	Herbicide(s) Mixture %	Carriers or Adjuvants	Application Rate/Acre
Foliar Treatment	2 oz/gal 3%	NA	NA

Control Method will be one of the following: hand cutting, mowing, foliar treatments, cut stump treatment, or selective trimming.

IV. Herbicide Application Techniques and Alternative Control Applications

Roadway vegetation management will involve mechanical methods (sweeping, hand cutting, selective trimming and mowing) and chemical control (foliar herbicide treatments and cut stump treatments). The particular method(s) chosen will be based on a variety of factors to establish an easily maintainable, stable plant population that will not interfere with vehicles or pedestrians. Emphasis will be given to the control tactic that will address the vegetation problems in the most environmentally sound manner and in a way to minimize vegetation control in the long term. The method chosen for given vegetation problems will attempt to achieve a long term, low maintenance vegetation management program.

Chemical controls include foliar treatments. The type of equipment for foliar treatments will be hand sprayer, lowpressure hydraulic pump utilizing hand gun, low pressure hydraulic pump boom or nozzle application with manual control, WeedSeeker Selective low pressure hydraulic pump boom. The treatment uses low pressure, below 60 psi at the nozzle, for application.

V. Identification of Target Vegetation

Target Vegetation along roadways is limited to vegetation which poses a public nuisance and/or poses a risk to pedestrian or vehicular safety. Target vegetation and control methods intended are indicated below. For a full description of each target vegetation, refer to the VMP.

<u>Target Vegetation</u>	<u>Mechanical Control</u>	<u>Chemical Control</u>
Public Nuisance Vegetation- poison Ivy and other "poisonous" vegetation growing within 10 foot roadway	-----	low volume low pressure foliar spray
Nuisance Grass- stem density and height impedes movement or hampers visibility	selective trimming and mowing	low volume low pressure foliar spray
Vegetation Posing A Risk to Safety- Vegetation hampers visibility or impedes movement along roads and trails	hand cutting and selective trimming	low volume low pressure foliar spray

VI. Flagging Methods to Designate Sensitive Areas on the Row

Sensitive areas are identified as public ground water supplies, public surface water supplies, private drinking water supplies, surface waters, wetlands, habitated areas and agricultural areas. For the purpose of identification, sensitive areas are separated into two categories, areas not readily identifiable in the field, and areas that are identifiable in the field.

Sensitive areas not readily identifiable in the field include public groundwater supplies, wetlands, private water supplies and public surface water supplies. These will be flagged and marked as "No Spray Zones" in the following manner:

FLAGGING METHODS

Pink pavement markings will be used to identify "No spray zones" pavement, granite curbing and sidewalks will be marked with a pink line with the letters stenciled NSZ.

Qualified FDPW personnel will be ahead of crews to flag the no spray zones. Crews will be provided with street maps with no spray zones clearly marked.

Process of sensitive areas:

1. Areas to be sprayed were walked to determine sensitive areas
2. Questionable areas were checked by Conservation Commission
3. Board of Health records were reviewed to locate wells of older homes that do not confirm to today's stringent setback requirements. Homeowners were contacted in cases where no records were available.

SENSITIVE AREA RESTRICTIONS (333 CMR 11.04)

<u>Sensitive Area</u>	<u>No-Spray Zone</u>	<u>Limited Use Zone</u>
Wetlands	125 feet	10-100 feet Selective low pressure Storm treatments Comply with local Conservation regulations.
Public ground Water Supplies	400 feet	Primary Recharge Area: 24 months must elapse between application; Selective low pressure storm treatments

Public surface water Supplies	100 feet	100-400 feet, 24 months must elapse between Application; selective pressure storm treatments.
Private Drinking Water	125 feet	50-1000 feet 24 months must elapse Between application: Selective pressure storm treatments.
Surface Waters	125 feet	10-100 feet 12 months must elapse between application: Selective pressure storm treatments.
Agricultural and Habituated		0-100 feet 12 months must elapse Between application: Selective pressure storm treatments.

VII. Procedure and Locations for Handling Mixing and Loading of Herbicide Concentrates

All mixing and loading of herbicides will be conducted at a public works facility or at the contractor facility. Only the amount of herbicide necessary as determined by monitoring results will be mixed to carry out the vegetation control. The vehicle carrying out the spray operations or the supervising DPW vehicles will be equipped with a bag of absorbent, activated charcoal, leak-proof containers, a broom and a shovel in case of minor spills. A clipboard log of the herbicides on the vehicle will be kept on the vehicle. Herbicide labels and fact sheets should be carried on-site by the applicator.

As soon as any spill is observed, immediate action will be taken to contain the spill and protect the spill area. The cause of the spill must be identified and secured. Spill containment will be accomplished by covering the spill with absorptive clay or other absorptive material or, for large spills, building clay or soil dikes to impede spill progress. Until completely clean, protection of the spill area will be accomplished by placing barriers, flagging or crew members at strategic locations. If a fire is involved, care will be taken to avoid breathing fumes from any burning chemicals.

Minor spills will be remedied by soaking up the spill with absorptive clay or other absorptive material and placing it in leak-proof containers for proper disposal. Dry herbicides, such as granulars, will be swept up or shoveled up directly in leak-proof containers for proper disposal. All contaminated soil will be placed in leak-proof containers, removed from the site, and disposed of properly. Activated charcoal will be incorporated into the soil at the spill location at a rate of seven pounds per thousand square feet to inactivate any herbicide residue. Any minor spill will be reported to the Pesticide Bureau.

Major spills will be handled in a similar manner as minor spills, except in cases where the spill cannot be contained and/or removed by the crew. In this case, the DEP Incident Response Unit and Pesticide Bureau must be contacted.

VIII. Emergency Contacts

In the event of a spill or emergency, information on safety precautions clean-up procedures may be gathered from the following sources:

Herbicide Label

Herbicide Fact Sheet

Herbicide Material Safety Data Sheet

Herbicide Manufacturer

Monsanto	(617) 551-7200
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Massachusetts Pesticide Bureau	(617) 626-1784
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Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection	(617) 292-5500
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Chemtrec	(800) 262-8200
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Pesticide Hotline	(800) 858-7378
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Massachusetts Poison Control Center	(800) 222-1222
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Local Police	911
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Local Fire	911
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MUNICIPAL ROADWAY VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

This Municipal Roadway Vegetation Management Plan submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture pursuant to the Rights of Way Management Regulations (333 CMR 11.00) has been reviewed and is recommended for adoption in the below named municipality. The undersigned hereby acknowledges the conditions of the Municipal Roadway Vegetation Management Plan will be adopted and complied with.

MUNICIPALITY: CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

PLAN TYPE: (CIRCLE ONE)

Vegetation Management Plan
VMP

Yearly Operational Plan
YOP

PLAN AUTHOR: Kyle Grendell - Operations Manager - Highway

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FAX: (508) 620-4801

SIGNATURE, PLAN AUTHOR: Kyle Grendell

SIGNATURE, CHAIRPERSON, BOH: Alexandra DePalo

SIGNATURE, CHAIRPERSON, CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Robert McArthur

SIGNATURE, CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL: Mayor Yvonne M Spicer

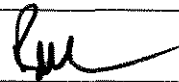
A copy of this document should be kept on file in the municipality offices. Please send the original to the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture with the submitted Vegetation Management Plan/Yearly Operational Plan.

Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture, Pesticide Bureau, Right of Way Program, 251 Causeway Street Suite 500, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-2151.

MUNICIPAL YEARLY OPERATIONAL PLAN

2021

This Yearly Operational Plan, approved by the Department of Food and Agriculture pursuant to the Right-of-Way Management Regulations (333 CMR 11.00) has been adopted by the following roadway vegetation management program of the City of Framingham. The undersigned hereby acknowledge that the conditions of this Yearly Operational Plan will be adopted and complied with.

MUNICIPALITY	CITY OF FRAMINGHAM
NAME	KYLE GRENDELL
AGENCY	FRAMINGHAM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ADDRESS	100 WESTERN AVE., FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702
TELEPHONE	(508) 532-6030
SIGNATURE	_____
DATE	_____
WETLAND DELINEATION	<u>Robert McArthur</u>  CONSERVATION AGENT

MUNICIPAL ROADWAY VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

This Municipal Roadway Vegetation Management Plan, approved by the Department of Food and Agriculture pursuant to the Rights of Way Management Regulations (333 CMR 11.00), has been adopted by the following roadway vegetation management program of the named municipality. The undersigned hereby acknowledges that the conditions of the Roadway Vegetation Management Plan will be adopted and complied with. The Roadway Vegetation Management Plan will be effective for 5 (five) years unless sooner modified or revoked by the Department.

MUNICIPALITY: CITY OF FRAMINGHAM

AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ADDRESS: 100 WESTERN AVE.
FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702

PHONE: (508) 532-6030

NAME: KYLE GRENDELL

SIGNATURE:

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DATE: February 22, 2021

A municipality will be considered to have an approved Vegetation Management Plan only when a completed copy of this cover page is submitted to the Department of Food and Agriculture. The Conservation Commission, Board of Health and chief elected official in the community must receive a copy of this page and the entire Roadway Vegetation Management Plan.



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The Department of Public Works is soliciting quotes for curbside vegetation control. Price quotes should be estimated based on ninety (90) miles of curbside vegetation control for up to three (3) applications, January 1, 2021 through December 30, 2021. The City will determine the length and miles of application based on available funding.

Methods of application:

- Hand sprayer
- Low pressure hydraulic pump utilizing hand gun
- Low pressure hydraulic pump boom or nozzle application with manual control
- WeedSeeker Selective low pressure hydraulic pump boom

All works to be compliance with the City of Framingham VMP and YOP. Contractor may be required to attend public hearings as necessary.

Price per mile \$179.00

Integrated Vegetation Services
Name of Company

1/7/2021
Date

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Company Representative

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City and State

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Thank you for your time and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

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